

1. What is your association with Bingham Township? Check all that apply.

- ☐ I am a permanent resident.
- ☐ I am a part-time or seasonal resident.
- ☐ I own property in the Township.
- ☐ I own a business or work in the Township.
- ☐ I visit the Township regularly to access services such as shopping or recreation.
- ☐ I vacation in the Township seasonally.
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2. How long have you lived, worked, or owned property in the Township? Select one.

- ☐ 0-3 years
- ☐ 4-10 years
- ☐ 11-20 years
- ☐ 21+ years
- ☐ I do not live or own property in the Township.

3. Select your age group.

- ☐ 0-19 years
- ☐ 20-44 years
- ☐ 45-64 years
- ☐ 65-74 years
- ☐ Over 75 years

4. If you are a (seasonal or full-time) resident of the Township, please identify the type of dwelling you live in.

If you are not a resident, select none of the above and skip to question #7.

- ☐ My home is the primary single family residence on my property.
- ☐ My home is the accessory dwelling unit on a single family property.
- ☐ I reside in a multi-family unit attached to another unit.
- ☐ I rent the home I live in.
- ☐ I own the home I live in.
- ☐ The home I live in is not mine and I don't pay any rent.
- ☐ None of the above

5. If you are a (seasonal or full-time) resident of the Township, please identify which area of the Township you live in. A comment box is provided if you would like to add specific cross streets or your address.

- ☐ I live in _____.
- ☐ I live in _____,
- ☐ I live in _____.

Please enter any additional details about your neighborhood.

6. How many people reside in your household full time?

- ☐ Just myself
- ☐ 2 people
- ☐ 3 people
- ☐ 4 people
- ☐ 5 or more people

Residents and non-residents alike are asked to answer a set of questions about the qualities that attract them to live in Bingham.

7. What is the overall quality of housing stock (appearance, cost, property maintenance) in Bingham Township?

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Don't know

8. How is the quality of housing changing in the Township?

- ☐ Getting much worse
- ☐ Getting somewhat worse
- ☐ Staying about the same
- ☐ Getting somewhat better
- ☐ Getting much better
- ☐ Don't know

9. Are you satisfied with the overall quality of life in the Bingham Township?

- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Satisfied
- ☐ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- ☐ Dissatisfied
- ☐ Very dissatisfied

10. How do each of the following influence your decision to live in Bingham Township. Select the circle that best applies to you.

	Does not influence	Neutral	Strongly influences
Residential neighborhoods	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing costs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing options	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Northern Michigan location	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Available shopping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job opportunities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Business environment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Taxes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arts and culture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Environment / natural features	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parks and recreation facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Traffic and circulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alternative transportation options	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Religious and community institutions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Friendliness of community residents			
Safety and security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local government	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community appearance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community image/reputation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10.1. Housing costs/rent and limited availability of certain stock is a hindrance to many in the workforce impacting employers and communities. Do you support policy efforts to increase density and/or establish more units (accessory dwelling units, duplexes, triplexes, apartments) in areas of the Township?

- ☐ Yes as a *use by right (**Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator*)
- ☐ Yes but only with a *Special Use Permit (**Special Use requires public hearing and Planning Commission approval*)
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

10.2 In communities across NW Michigan homes are being converted to Short-Term Rentals (STR), removing housing stock typically available to permanent residents. Do you support policy that licenses and places a cap on the number of STR's within the Township?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

11. What type of new residential development would you like to see come to the Township? Check all that apply.

- ☐ One-family homes
- ☐ Two-family homes or duplexes (workforce housing)
- ☐ Townhomes
- ☐ Condominiums
- ☐ Apartments (workforce housing)
- ☐ Senior citizen housing
- ☐ Live/work spaces
- ☐ Mixed use (residential/commercial)
- ☐ Accessory Dwelling Units (workforce housing)
- ☐ Other (please specify)

- ☐ None of the above

To answer the following questions, seasonal and full-time residents are asked to consider the residence they live in as well as their surrounding neighborhood. A neighborhood may be made up of one street or multiple streets. It may be made up of only houses or houses and businesses. The neighborhood area is up to you. If you are not a resident, skip questions 12-17.

12. Please rate the overall condition (appearance, cost, property maintenance) of your residence. If you are not a resident select none of the above to be taken to question #18.

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ None of the above

13. Select whether the following statements are true or not concerning your current residence.

	This is true of my current residence	This is not true of my current residence	I would move to another home if this was achievable
Price that I can afford	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to family/friends	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to recreational opportunities/nature	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to health care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to shopping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I like the neighborhood	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The size of the home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The size of the yard	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I/We would like the home to accessible when I/we become less physically able	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low crime	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I/We received assistance with rent payments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Home is in good repair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. List the characteristics or features of your neighborhood you are most proud of.

15. List the characteristics or features of your neighborhood you would like to see changed.

16. What is the biggest threat to the viability of your neighborhood? Select one.

- ☐ Blighted properties
- ☐ Property values
- ☐ Vacancies
- ☐ Short-term rental properties
- ☐ Crime
- ☐ Distance from employment
- ☐ Distance from services and retail stores
- ☐ Access to Township services and amenities
- ☐ Other (please specify)

17. How important is it for Bingham Township to attract new businesses/uses to the Township?

- ☐ Extremely important
- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not so important
- ☐ Not at all important

18. Would you support the use of local government incentives to retain existing businesses and attract new businesses to the Township?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

19. Township government encourages new businesses and supports existing businesses in the Township.

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

20. What type of business or service would you like to see come to the Township?

21. Township government should concentrate and encourage business in existing areas of commercial development.

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

22. What is your primary mode of transportation to work? Select one.

- ☐ Private automobile
- ☐ Car-pool/van-pool
- ☐ Bicycle
- ☐ Walk
- ☐ BATA
- ☐ Work at home
- ☐ Retired / no longer in the workforce
- ☐ Other (please specify)

23. How often do you engage in non-motorized transportation (walking, biking, skateboarding, etc.)? This can be for travelling or recreation purposes.

- ☐ Every day
- ☐ A few times a week
- ☐ About once a week
- ☐ A few times a month
- ☐ Once a month
- ☐ Less than once a month

24. Please indicate your agreement to the following statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Bingham Township provides a satisfactory amount of infrastructure (sidewalks, road shoulders, lanes, paths) for non-motorized transportation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is easy to get around the Township without a vehicle.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am satisfied with the condition of non-motorized infrastructure.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I participate in non-motorized transportation in the winter months.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am satisfied with the infrastructure available for non-motorized transportation in winter months.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel safe when I am walking/biking/other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Township has a satisfactory amount of bike racks around the Township.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Township is well connected to regional trails.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

25. Please rate the quality of the following public facilities and services within Bingham Township. Select the circle that best applies to the facility or service.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Regional / state roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local streets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sidewalks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parking availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trees and landscaping in public spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Police protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fire protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Water quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electric quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Storm water drainage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Snow removal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Internet availability, service, price	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Services for youth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Services for senior citizens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Health care services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parks and open space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recreation facilities and programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cultural facilities and programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Library services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community meeting space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
BATA Services in Township	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

26. Share any thoughts you have regarding public and shared services in the Township, including what you would like to see improved or added in the future.

26.1. Do you support the placement of commercial/industrial scale solar farms in the Township for renewable energy production under a *special use permit (**requires a public hearing and Planning Commission approval*)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

26.2. Do you support the placement of commercial/industrial scale wind turbine farms in the Township for renewable energy production under a *special use permit (**requires a public hearing and Planning Commission approval*)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

26.3 Do you support allowances for residential scale solar arrays for personal home renewable energy production?

- ☐ Yes, As a *Use by Right (**Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator*)
- ☐ Yes, As a *Special Use (**Special Use requires public hearing and Planning Commission approval*)
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

26.4 Do you support allowances for residential scale wind turbines for personal home renewable energy production?

- ☐ Yes, As a *Use by Right (**Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator*)
- ☐ Yes, As a *Special Use (**Special Use requires public hearing and Planning Commission approval*)
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

27. Have you ever considered installing renewable energy systems (wind, solar) for economic or sustainability purposes (cheaper bills, better for environment)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

28. Have you ever considered selecting more energy efficient appliances when making a purchase?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

29. Is pursuing sustainable and efficient energy sources important to you?

- ☐ Yes

☐ No

30. Please write down any thoughts you have on energy, electric, or renewable energy not covered above.

31. Please identify your desire for the following winter-targeted improvements.

Very Desirable

Desirable

Not Desired

Creating a designated Winter Recreation Path/Trail around the Township(plowed or unplowed).



Provide winter-appropriate group gathering spaces in public areas.



Create a Winter Township Committee to identifyand implement winter improvements and activities.



32. Please write down any improvements to winter programs or practices you would like to see in Bingham Township not included in the above list.

33. Do you support cottage industries and home-based business (typically defined as 3 or less employees, with business conducted at a residence or in area of residences).

- ☐ Yes as a *use by right with reasonable regulations (primarily operates in home or behind screening, allows 6 or 7 day work week, signage with external illumination allowed) (*Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator)
- ☐ Yes as a *use by right with stringent regulations (no operation outside of home, no work during weekends, very limited signage, no illumination, etc.) (*Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator)
- ☐ Yes but only with a *Special Use Permit (*Special Use requires public hearing and Planning Commission approval)
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

33.1 Do you support home-based business and cottage industries as a use within residential areas of the Township? *(If you answered yes or neutral please answer questions # through #, if not please move to question #)*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

33.2 How many employees do you feel a home occupation should be limited to?

- ☐ The owner only.
- ☐ The owner and 1 employee
- ☐ The owner and 2 employees
- ☐ The owner and 3 employees
- ☐ The owner and 4 employees

33.3 Please select the confines of a home occupation that you agree with most.

- ☐ A home occupation should only take place within the confines of a structure.
- ☐ A home occupation should be primarily confined within a structure, but storing of some material and equipment can occur if screened from the view of neighbors and public rights of way.
- ☐ A home occupation and accompanying work may occur inside or outside of a structure, but shall be screened from neighbors and the public.
- ☐ A home occupation should not be restricted to a structure nor required to be screened.

33.5 What hours of operation should a home occupation adhere to?

- ☐ M-F 9am to 5pm
- ☐ M-F 8am to 6pm
- ☐ M-Sat 9am to 5pm
- ☐ M-Sat 8am to 6pm
- ☐ No limit on hours of operation

33.6 Do you support bed & breakfast operations within the Township?

- ☐ Yes as a *use by right with regulations outlined as conditions within the Zoning Ordinance. (*Use by Right Approved by Zoning Administrator)
- ☐ Yes but only with a *Special Use Permit (*Special Use requires public hearing and Planning Commission approval)
- ☐ No
- ☐ Neutral

General

34. Do you feel informed about what is going on in the Township?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

35. Where do you typically get your information about Township and community affairs and programs?

- ☐ Mailings
☐ Internet
☐ TV
☐ Local newspaper
☐ Local conversations
☐ Attend public meetings
☐ Social media
☐ Other (please specify)

36. Do you think local government is effectively dealing with local issues and concerns?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

37. What are the top three priorities the Master Plan should focus on improving or preserving? Choose three.

- ☐ Neighborhoods
- ☐ Commercial Use and District Support
- ☐ Agri-tourism and Rural Economy
- ☐ Location and access Parks and open space
- ☐ Rural Character and View sheds
- ☐ Township government services (regulations, infrastructure, etc.)
- ☐ Development and growth potential
- ☐ Public safety (police, fire, etc.)
- ☐ Taxes
- ☐ Walkability / connectivity
- ☐ Redevelopment of vacant and/or underutilized properties
- ☐ Community beautification
- ☐ Historic preservation
- ☐ Other (please specify)

38. Please provide any additional comments in the space below.